

GROWN UP SHOTS

Immunize for Life Adult Immunization Program

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New Contact Information

My phone number has changed to 222-4602, and the fax number is now 222-5734.

Adult Influenza Vaccination Program Update

Vaccine Redistribution

If your practice/facility needs more vaccine, or you would like to get rid of some, please call me at 222-4602 and I'll make you a match.

Vaccine Inventories

There seems to be a little confusion over the timing of the inventory reports. We request that you submit these reports at the end of every month, however, we give you until the 10th of the next month to submit them. We did not mean for you to send them from the 10th of one month to the 10th of the next.

Also, if you have used all your vaccine, we still need a final inventory report stating zero inventory.

Quality Assurance Visits

I got three takers who were brave enough to volunteer for a quality assurance visit. Would anyone else like to volunteer? It will be a good learning experience for all of us.

A Visit To ATMED Treatment Center

Grown Up Shots Cub Reporter, Nurse Paine went to investigate an allegation that ATMED Treatment Center was making it very easy to get a flu shot! How could it be that this walk-in treatment facility could be providing over 1,000 flu shots every year? Nurse Paine needed to know. So, on Tuesday, December 9th, Nurse Paine visited ATMED and interviewed Beverly Gobin, Office Manager and Deb Silvestri, RN, Nurse Manager who provided her with the 411.

"We make it very easy to get a flu shot" stated Nurse Silvestri. Apparently, patients don't need an appointment to get a flu shot. They just walk in, ask for a flu shot, are handed the paperwork (consent form and VIS), then seated right by the Nurse's station. The first Nurse who walks out...bingo!...she/he gives the shot! Amazing!

ATMED Treatment Center has indeed been found guilty of making it very easy to get a flu shot. So, congratulations to Deb, Bev and their staff. Keep up the good work! If you would like more information about ATMED's flu vaccination program, you can call Deb Silvestri at 273-9400.

Educational Corner

Important: New recommendations for the use of pneumococcal vaccine can be found at: <http://www.immunize.org/express/issue770.asp>

For those of you interested in educational programs, CDC offers a variety of courses on their website at:

<http://www.cdc.gov/vaccines/ed/default.htm>

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From Hilarious Medical Jokes
at
DRFUNNYWOMAN.COM

A young woman brought her daughter into Children's Hospital for a routine check up. On the records, the doctor saw that the child's first name was Urine (pronounced Youreen). Unable to contain her curiosity, the doctor asked the woman how her child came by such a "distinguished sounding" name. The woman explained, "Well, my baby was born premature and had to stay in the special nursery. She was really sick and they didn't know if she would make it. I hadn't picked a name, but one day I came in and saw that the nurses had already given her one. There was this paper on her incubator that said 'Please save Urine,' so I knew that was the name of my baby."

HAPPY HOLIDAYS FROM
VIRGINIA AND DEB!!!